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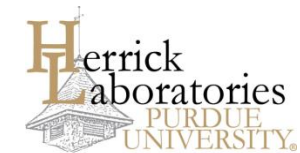
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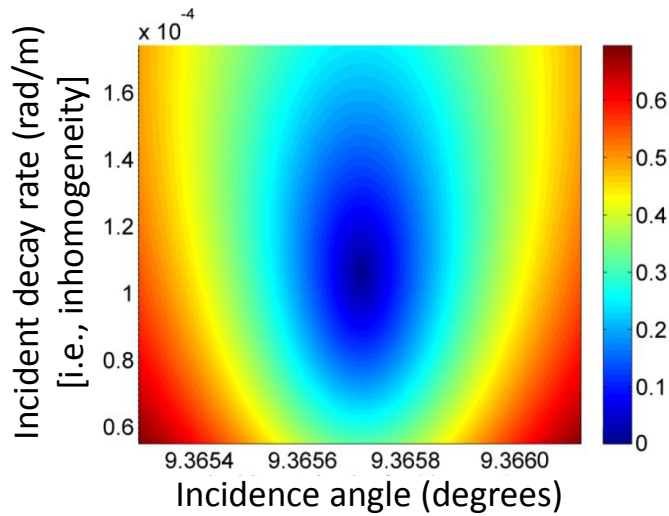
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# Introduction

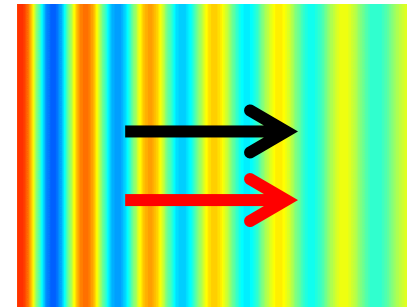
- Study of inhomogeneous plane waves
- Seek to tune the incident wave parameters to maximize energy transmission into dissipative solids

## Exemplary Lossless Fluid—Solid Interface: Magnitude of Reflection Coefficient

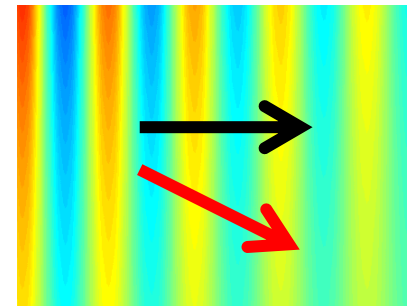


(adapted from Woods et al., 2015)

Homogeneous  
plane wave



Inhomogeneous  
plane wave



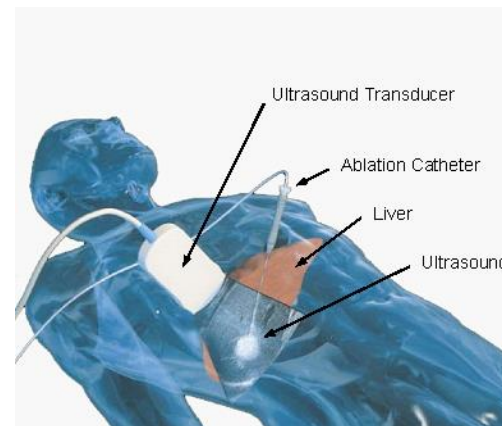
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- Potential applications for enhanced acoustic energy transmission into solid materials:
  - Nondestructive structural testing
  - Medical ultrasound imaging and ablation
  - Other, non-contact ultrasound applications

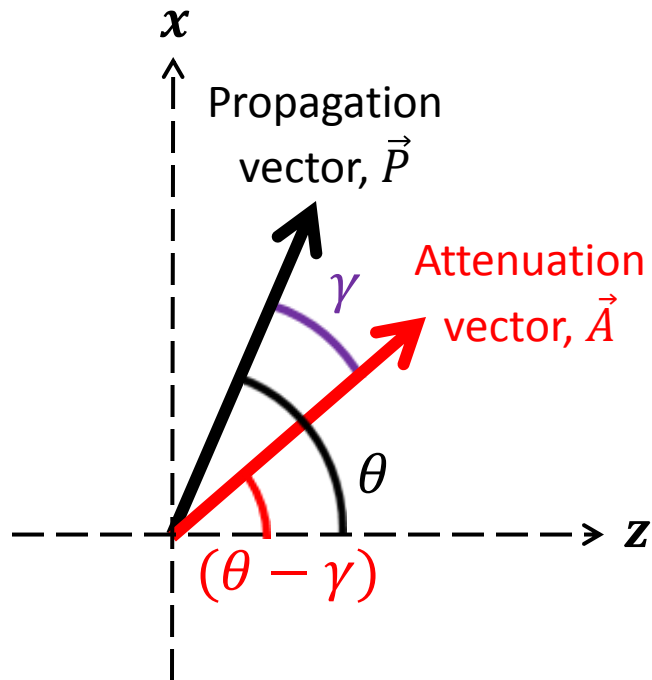


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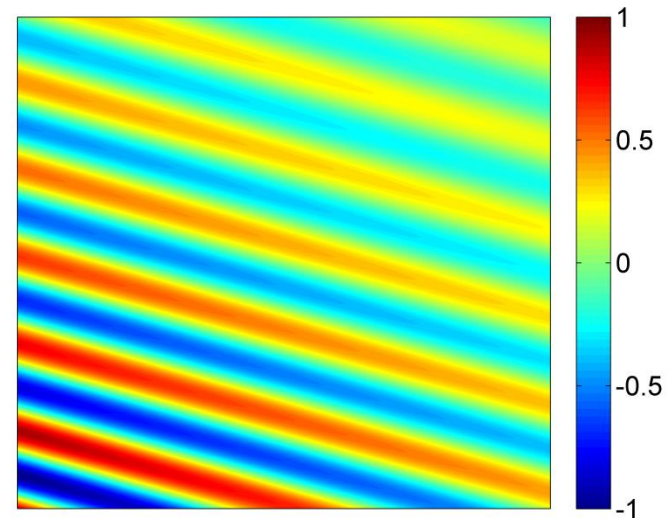
# Plane Wave Representation in Dissipative Media



Degree of inhomogeneity,  
 $0^\circ \leq \gamma < 90^\circ$

Complex wavevector,  $\tilde{\vec{K}} = \vec{P} - j\vec{A}$

Corresponding Stress Field (normalized)



Wavevector components:

$$\tilde{k}_x = |\vec{P}| \sin(\theta) - j|\vec{A}| \sin(\theta - \gamma)$$

$$\tilde{k}_z = |\vec{P}| \cos(\theta) - j|\vec{A}| \cos(\theta - \gamma)$$

Further note:  $\gamma$  (inhomogeneity) also affects  $|\vec{P}|$  and  $|\vec{A}|$  according to the material wavenumber condition  $\tilde{\vec{K}} \cdot \tilde{\vec{K}} = \tilde{k}^2$

# Dissipative Fluid–Solid Interface

- Semi-infinite fluid—solid interface, linear viscoelastic model (hysteretic damping)
- Boundary conditions at interface ( $z = 0$ )

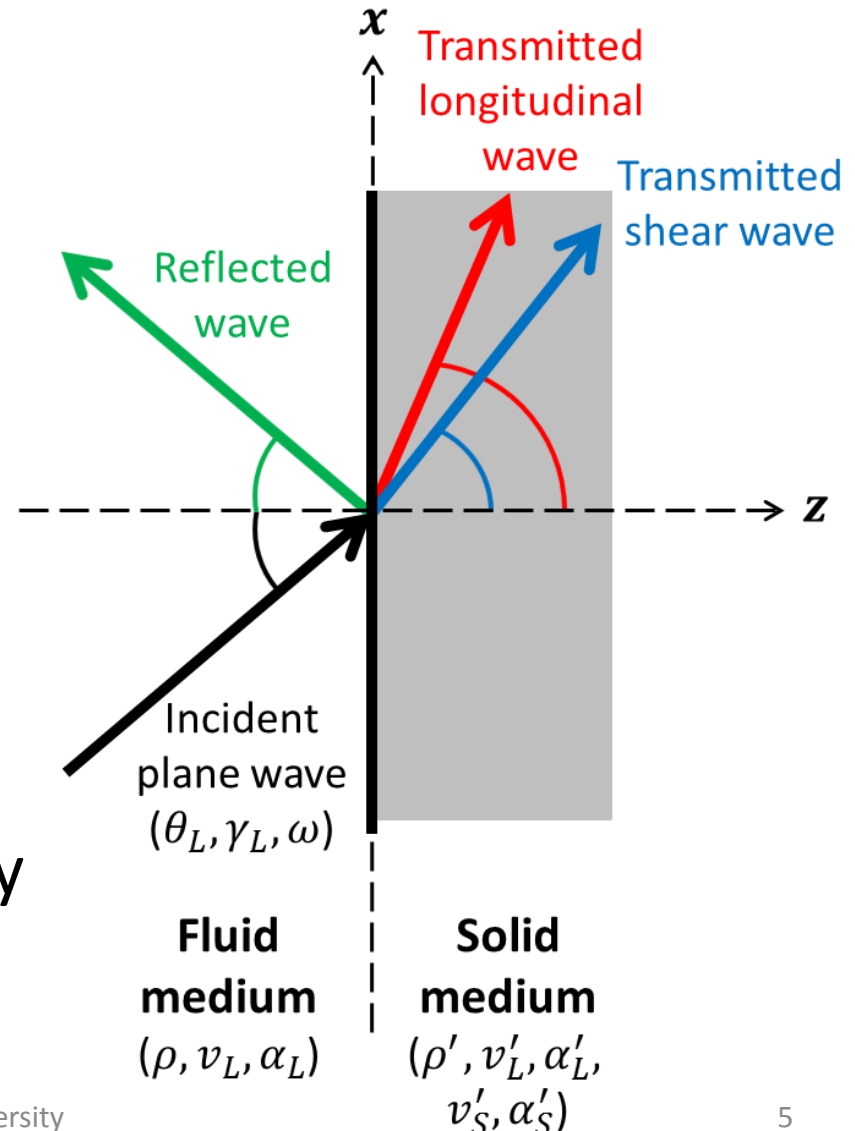
$$\tilde{\sigma}_{zz}(x, 0) = \tilde{\sigma}'_{zz}(x, 0)$$

$$\tilde{u}_z(x, 0) = \tilde{u}'_z(x, 0)$$

$$\tilde{\sigma}'_{xz}(x, 0) = 0$$

- Trace wavenumber continuity

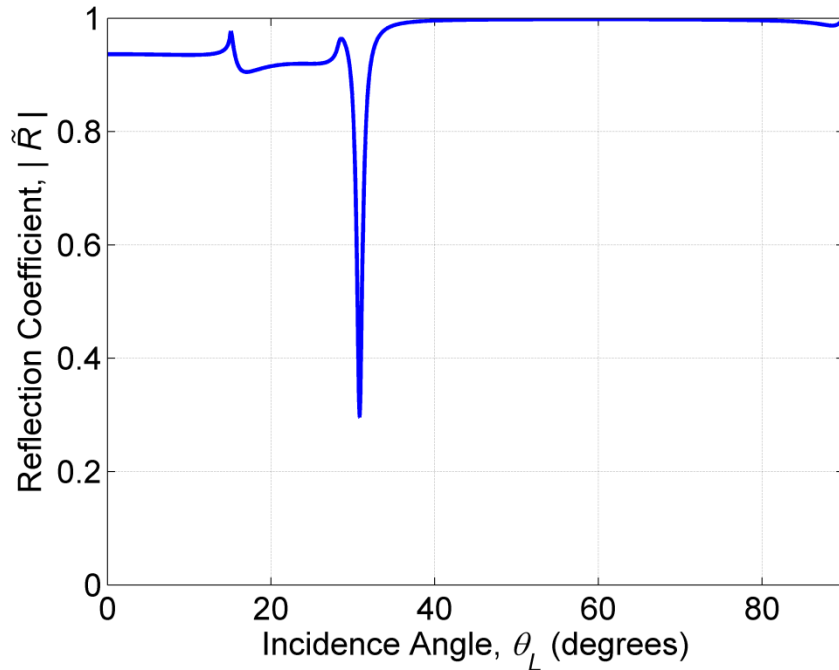
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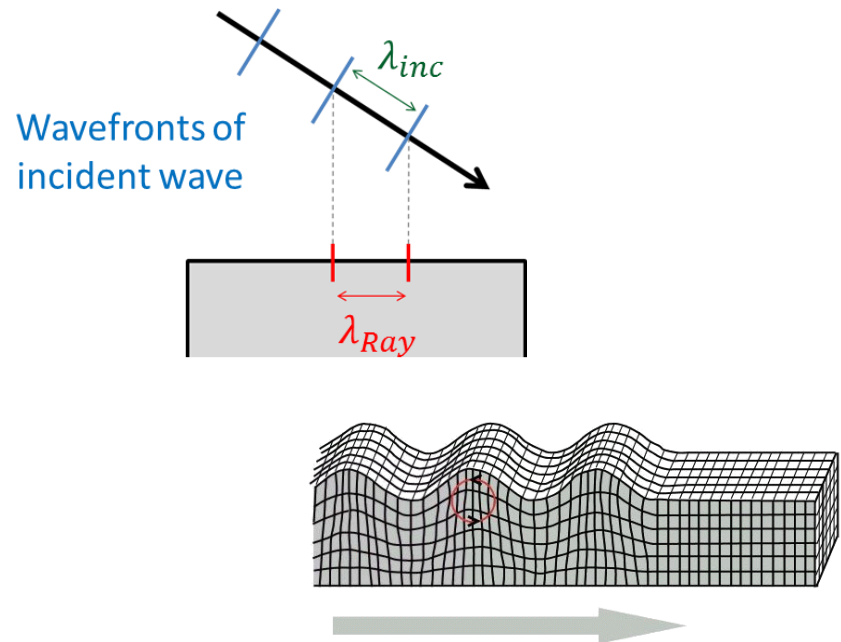
# Water—Stainless Steel Interface

## Magnitude of Reflection Coefficient (10 MHz)

Effect of Incidence Angle  
(Homogeneous Plane Wave)



Reduction of Reflection Coefficient  
Near Rayleigh Angle



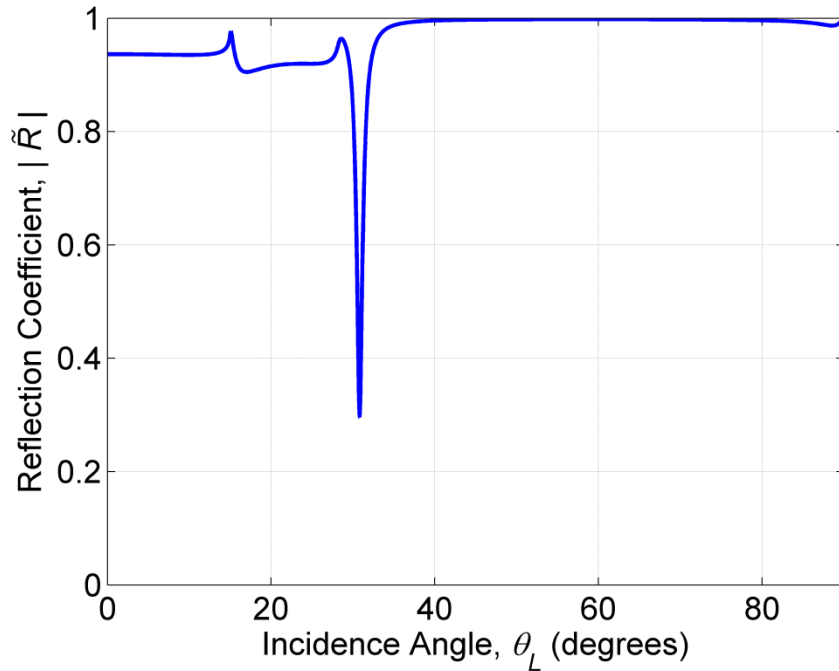
Spatial resonance of induced longitudinal  
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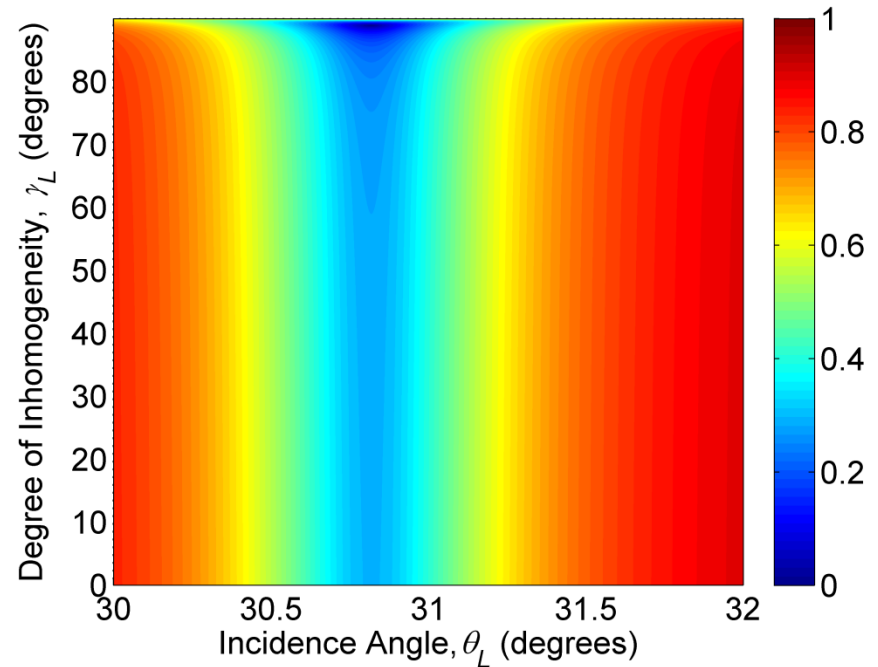
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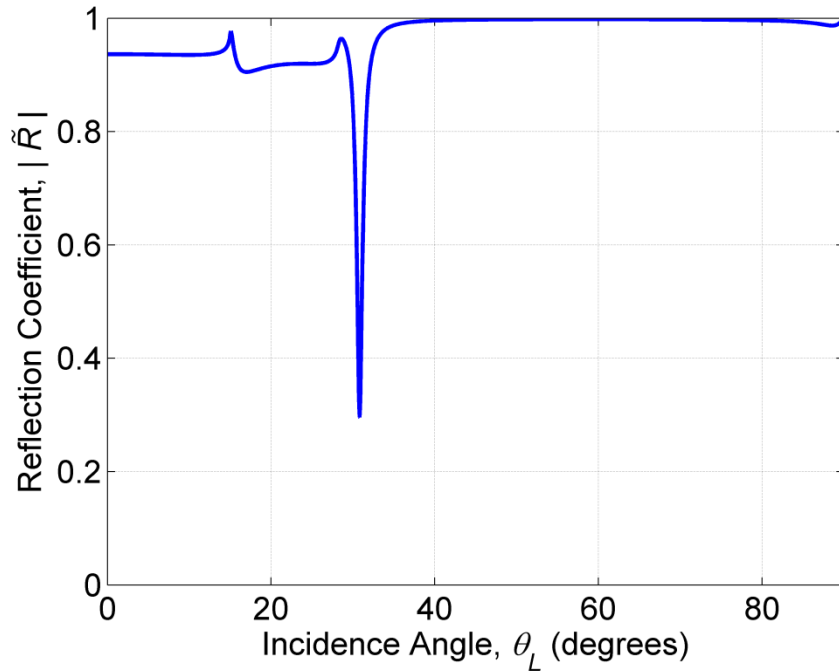




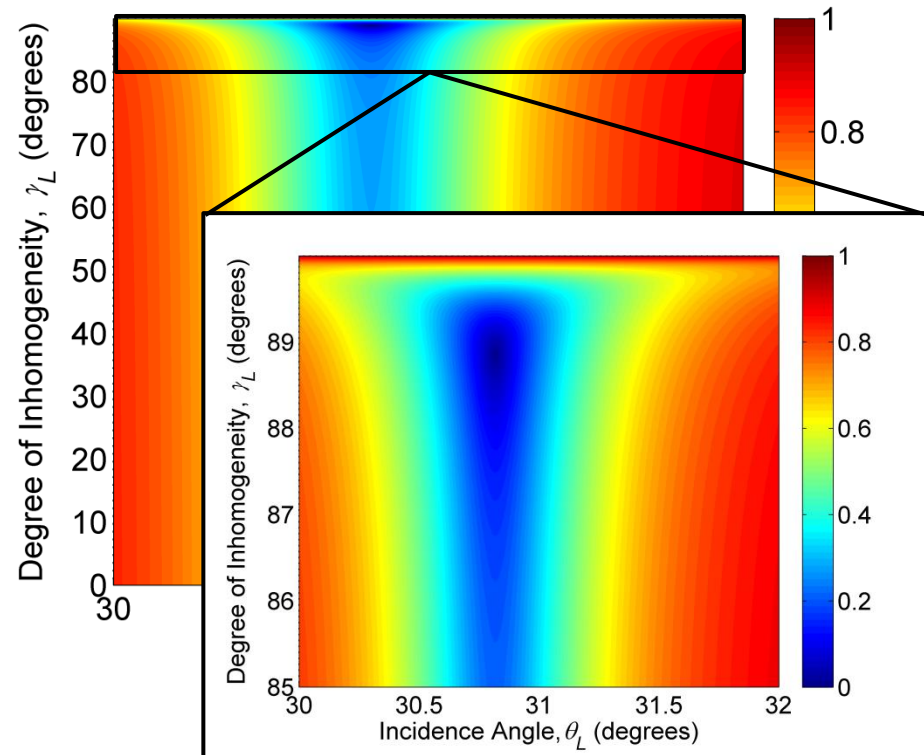
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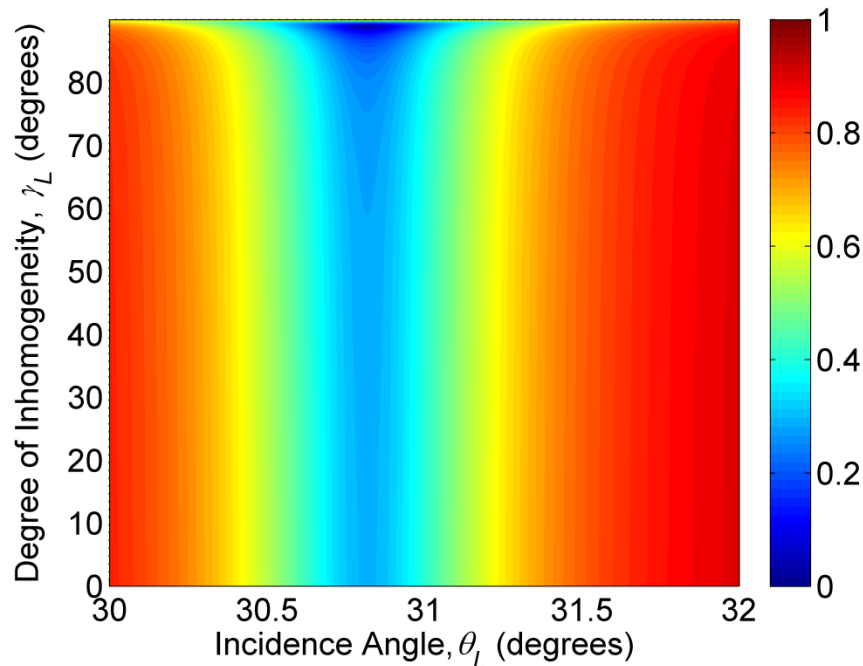
Effect of Wave Inhomogeneity  
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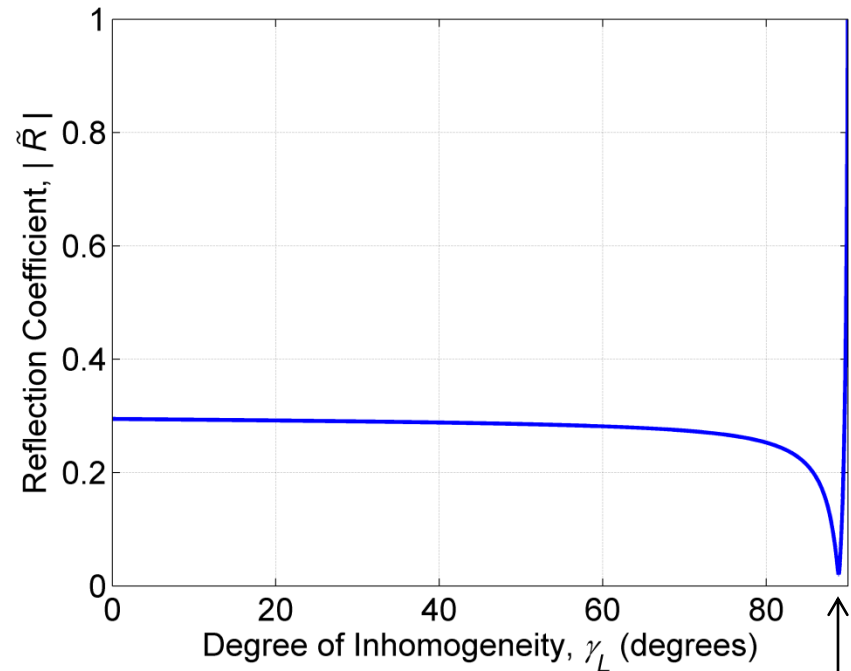
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Effect of Wave Inhomogeneity and Incidence Angle

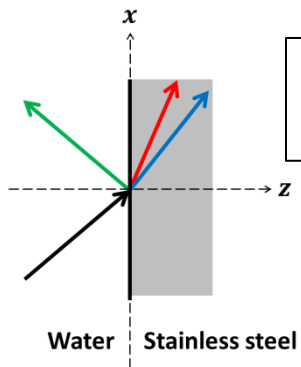


Effect of Wave Inhomogeneity  
( $\theta_L \approx 30.83^\circ$ )



Minimum value at  $\gamma_L \approx 88.85^\circ$

# Transmitted Energy Flux

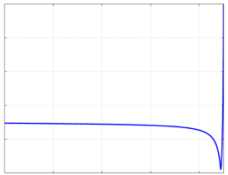


Incident wave amplitude set  
as 1 Pa at  $x = z = 0$

**Normal Intensity in Solid**

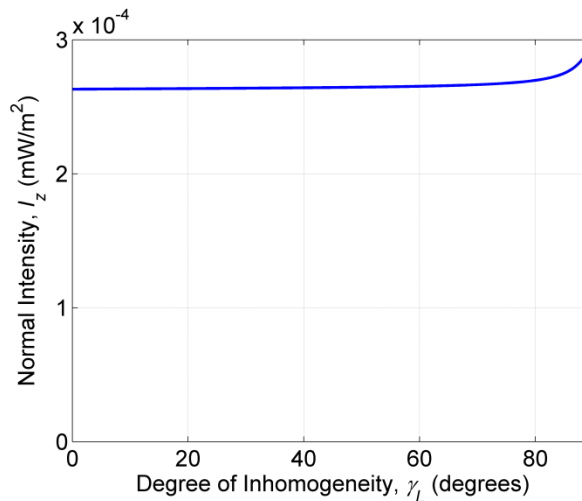
$$I_z = \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T -(\sigma_{zz} v_z + \sigma_{xz} v_x) dt$$

$|\tilde{R}|$

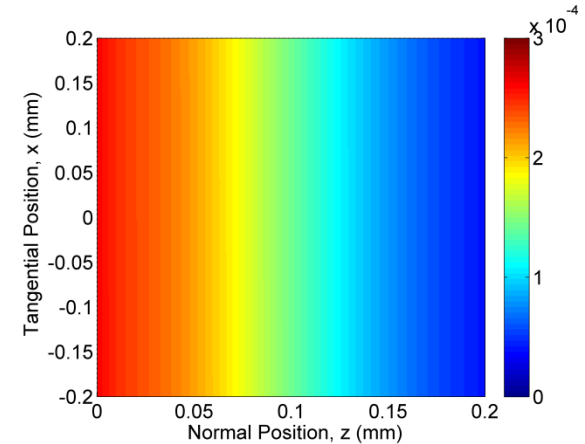


Degree of Inhomogeneity,  $\gamma_L$

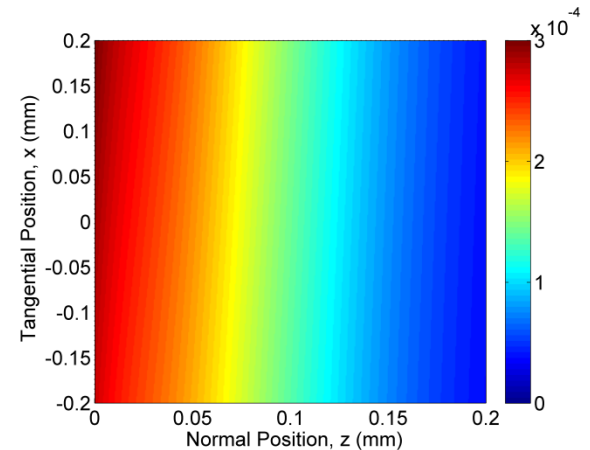
**Transmitted Normal Intensity  
(at the point  $x = z = 0$ )**



**Transmitted Normal Intensity  
Distributions (mW/m<sup>3</sup>)**

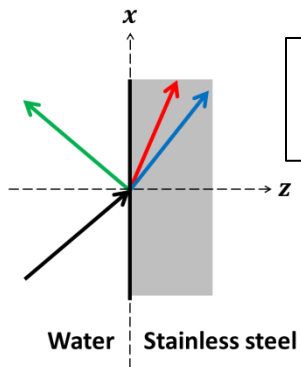


**Homogeneous incident wave**



**Inhomogeneous incident wave**

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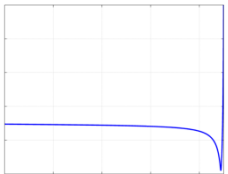


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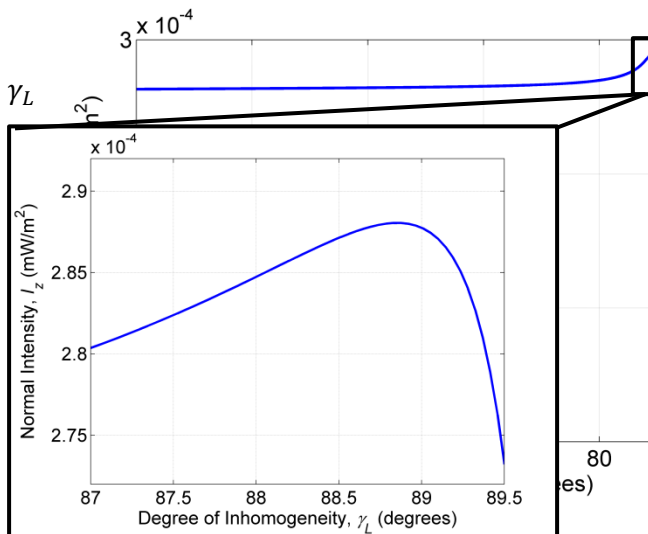
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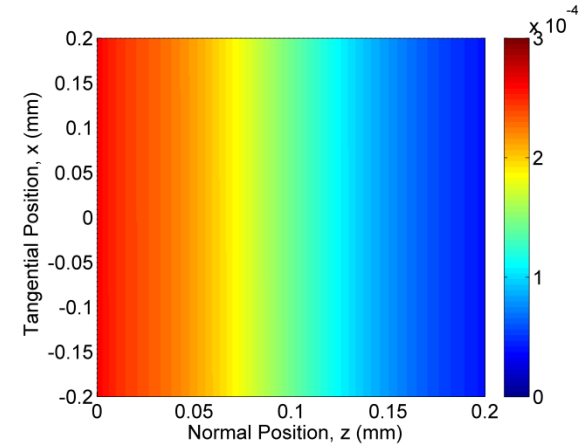


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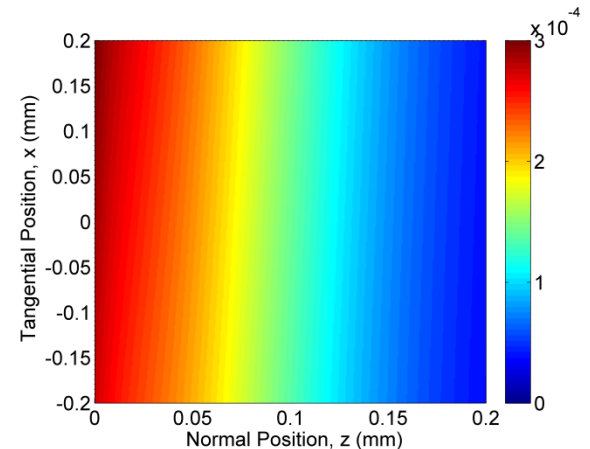
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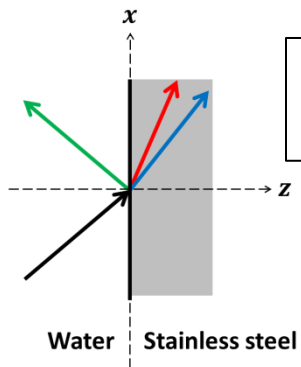


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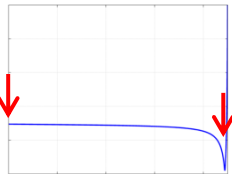


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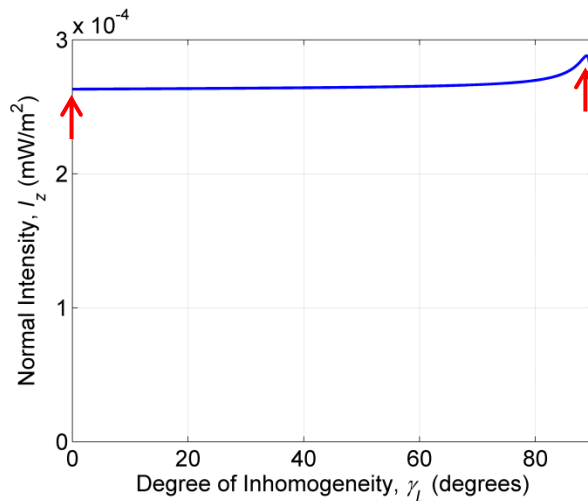
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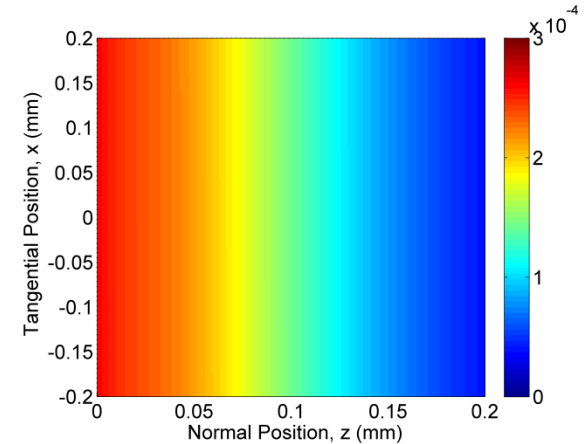


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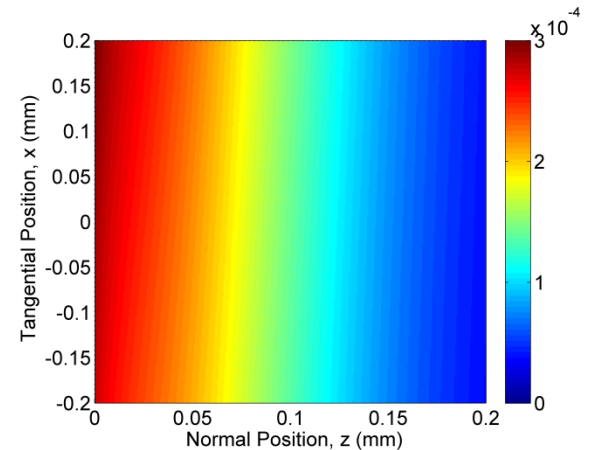
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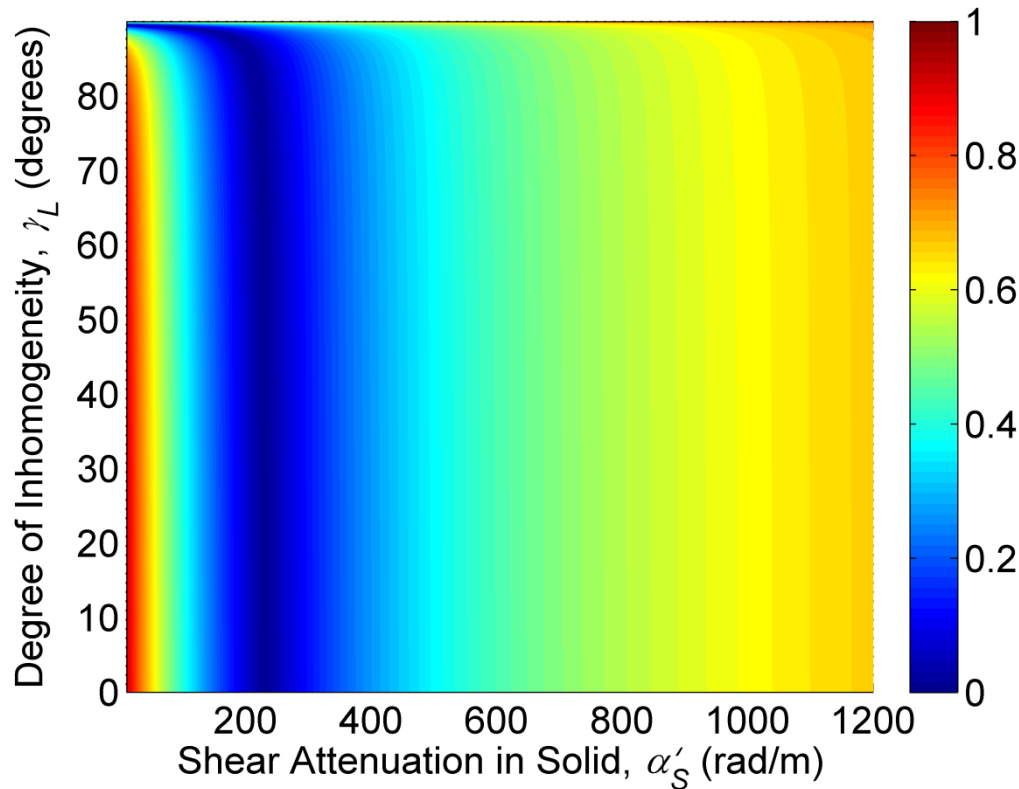


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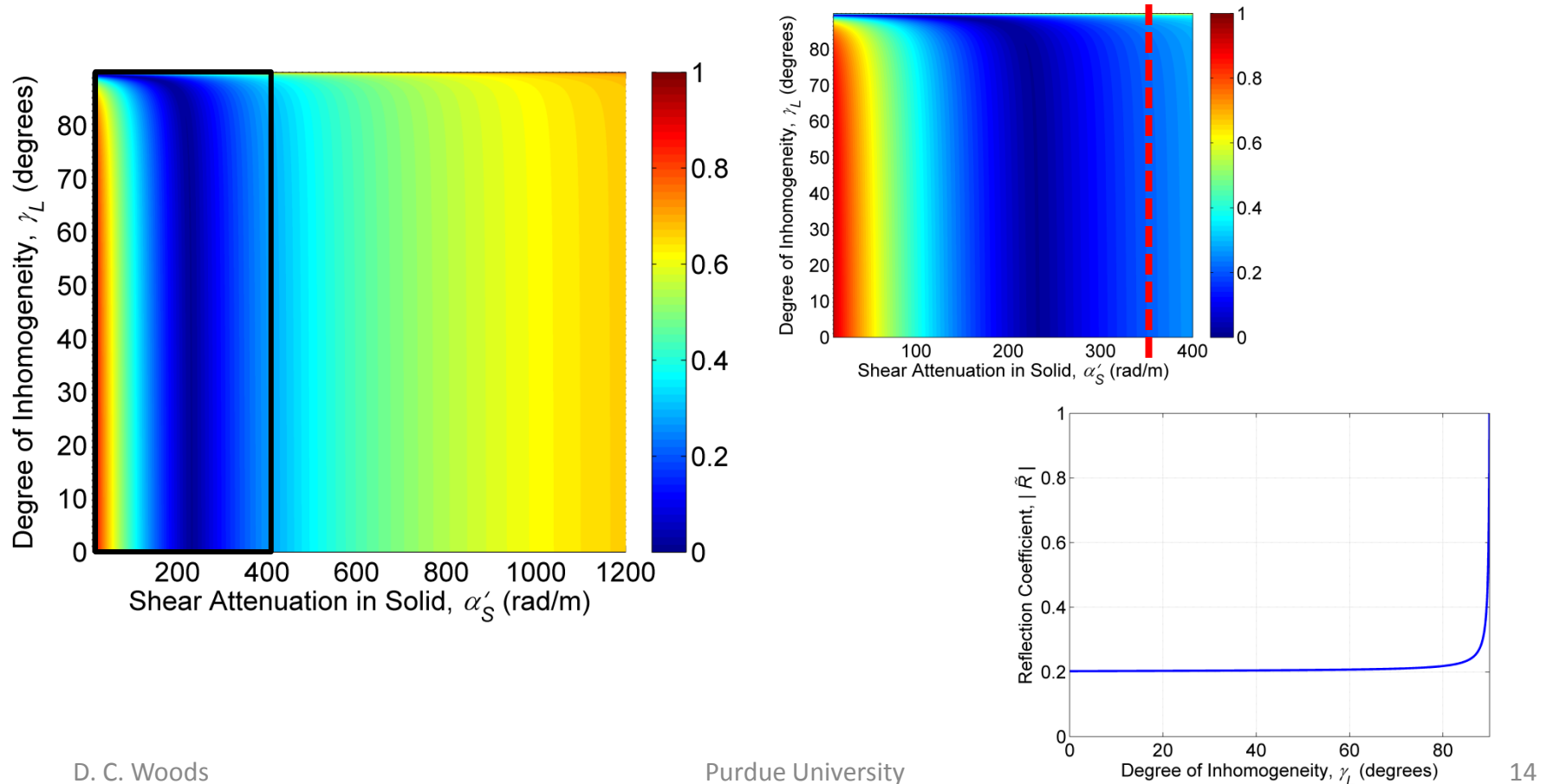
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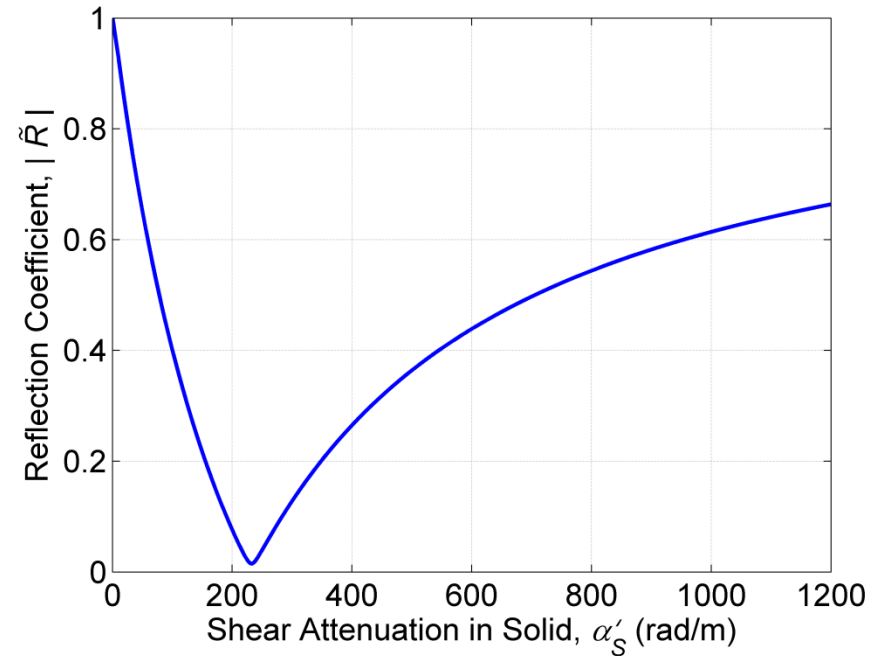
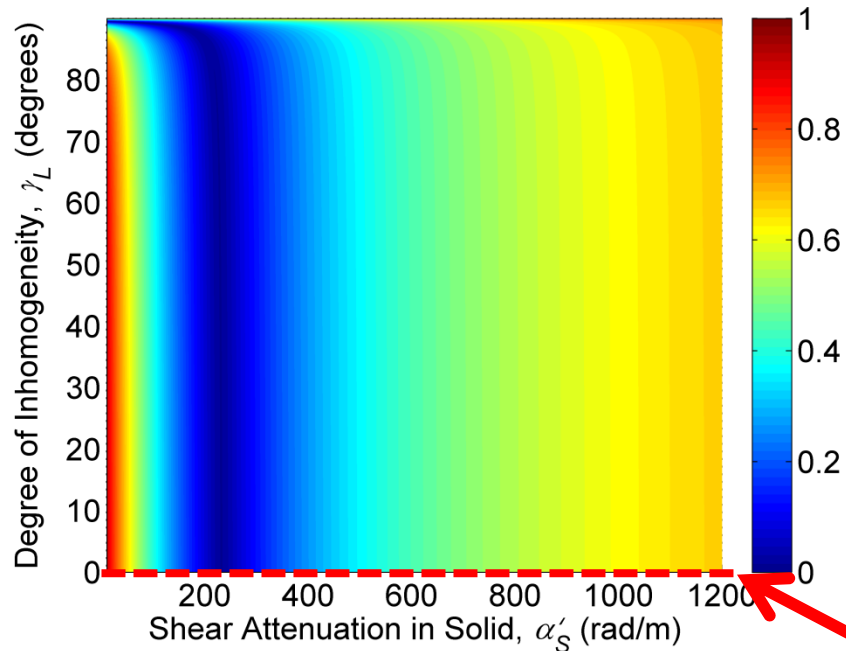
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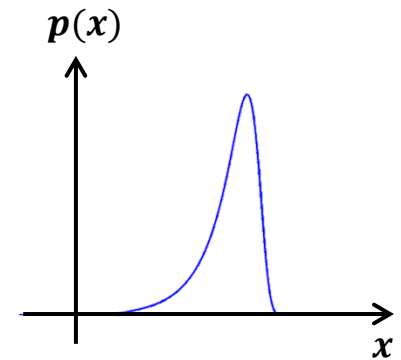
**Homogeneous incident wave**



# Conclusions and Future Work

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- Inhomogeneous plane waves incident at dissipative fluid—solid interfaces
  - Significant energy transmission increases for low-loss solids
  - No improvement for higher-loss solids
- Future work:
  - Incorporate frequency-dependence of attenuation
  - Use of bounded wave profiles
  - Generation through phased arrays of sources



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# Plane Wave Representation in Dissipative Media

- Helmholtz equation requires consistency of complex wavevector ( $\tilde{\vec{K}} = \vec{P} - j\vec{A}$ ) with material wavenumber condition:

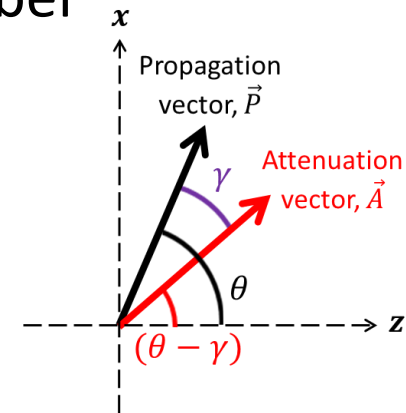
$$\tilde{\vec{K}} \cdot \tilde{\vec{K}} = \tilde{k}^2 = \left( \frac{\omega}{v_H} - j\alpha_H \right)^2$$

- It follows that  $\gamma$  (inhomogeneity) affects  $|\vec{P}|$  and  $|\vec{A}|$ :

- Inhomogeneous waves ( $\gamma \neq 0^\circ$ ):

$$|\vec{P}|^2 = \frac{1}{2} \left( \text{Re}[\tilde{k}^2] + \sqrt{(\text{Re}[\tilde{k}^2])^2 + \frac{(\text{Im}[\tilde{k}^2])^2}{\cos^2(\gamma)}} \right) > \left( \frac{\omega}{v_H} \right)^2,$$

$$|\vec{A}|^2 = \frac{1}{2} \left( -\text{Re}[\tilde{k}^2] + \sqrt{(\text{Re}[\tilde{k}^2])^2 + \frac{(\text{Im}[\tilde{k}^2])^2}{\cos^2(\gamma)}} \right) > (\alpha_H)^2$$



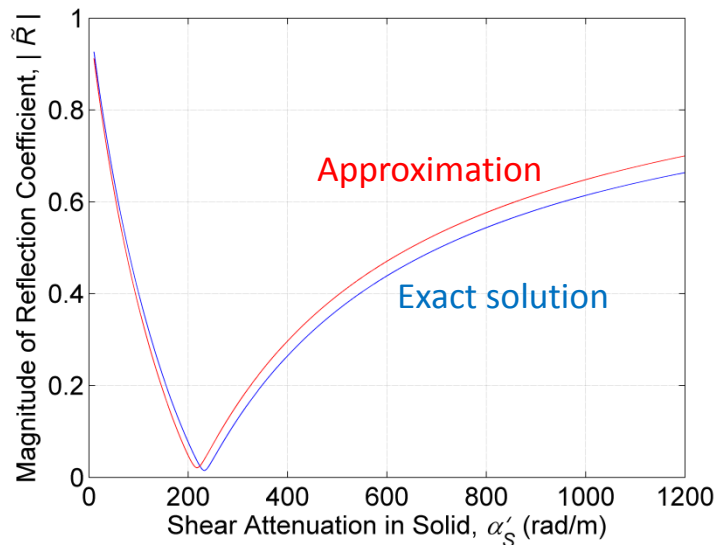
$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{k}_x &= |\vec{P}| \sin(\theta) - j|\vec{A}| \sin(\theta - \gamma) \\ \tilde{k}_z &= |\vec{P}| \cos(\theta) - j|\vec{A}| \cos(\theta - \gamma) \end{aligned}$$

# Approximation for Critical Dissipation Level

- Assumed negligible losses in fluid, small losses in solid

$$\alpha_S'^* \approx \frac{1}{4} \left( \frac{\rho v_L}{\rho' v_S'} \right) \left( \frac{v_{Ray}'}{\sqrt{v_{Ray}'^2 - v_L^2}} \right) \frac{\omega}{V}$$

**Magnitude of Reflection Coefficient**



**Phase of Reflection Coefficient**

